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Dear Mr. Wilson:

NEW SOURCE REVIEW EXEMPTION NOTIFICATION UNDER WASHINGTON ADMINISTRATIVE CODE (WAC) 173-400 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE INTEGRATED DISPOSAL FACILITY (IDF)

References: 1.

- 1. PNNL-14029, "Geologic and Wireline Summaries from Fiscal Year 2002 ILAW Boreholes," Revision 0, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, Washington, dated September 2002.
- 2. PNNL-13652, "Geologic and Wireline Borehole Summary from the Second ILAW Borehole (299-E24-21)," Revision 0, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, Washington, dated September 2001.
- 3. PNNL-11957, "Immobilized Low-Activity Waste Site Borehole 299-E17-21," Revision 0, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, Washington, dated August 1998.

This letter constitutes the submittal of a new source review exemption notification for the construction of the IDF in the 200 East Area of the Hanford Site. The IDF will provide the capability for near-surface disposal of immobilized low-activity waste packages from the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant.

This new source review exemption notification is based only upon an estimation of regulated air emissions during the planned construction activities and does not include operation of the IDF. These activities consist primarily of soil excavation. Data from borehole studies performed by the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in the construction area have been evaluated by the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection, and CH2M HILL Hanford Group, Inc. personnel. References 1 through 3 are the three studies evaluated. Potential non-radioactive air emissions generated by construction activities were determined to be below the threshold limits.

As this new source review exemption notification is based on emissions being below the threshold limits contained within WAC 173-400(5)(d), in accordance with WAC 173-400(5)(c), construction will begin on the thirty-first day after receipt by the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) unless notified by Ecology that a notice of construction is required.

If you have any questions, please contact me, or your staff may contact Dennis W. Bowser, Environmental Division, (509) 373-2556.

Sincerely,

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